ABSTRACT

Elections must be conducted honest, fair and democratic. The study of electoral system shall be the key factor of any success or a failure of a legislative election. Electoral systems have a complex dimensions includes the balloting, district magnitude, division of the areas of constituency, electoral formula and threshold. Indonesia has done in total twelve legislative elections using the proportional system with various modification. By using the juridical-normative method, author examines library materials and regulations with comparative studies to the United State of America and Malaysia. This research is intended to found better legislative electoral system for Indonesia. The research shows that United State of America used the district electoral system with equal apportionment method. Meanwhile, Malaysia use first past the post method with the coalition that made before the election phase and the legislative candidate proposed by the coalition. The results of the research indicates that there is an urgency to change Indonesia’s legislative electoral system into district electoral system, in order to improve the quality of legislative candidate and a benchmark of better democracy.

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